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Tuesday 8:00 am – 1:30 pm at Saint Anthony

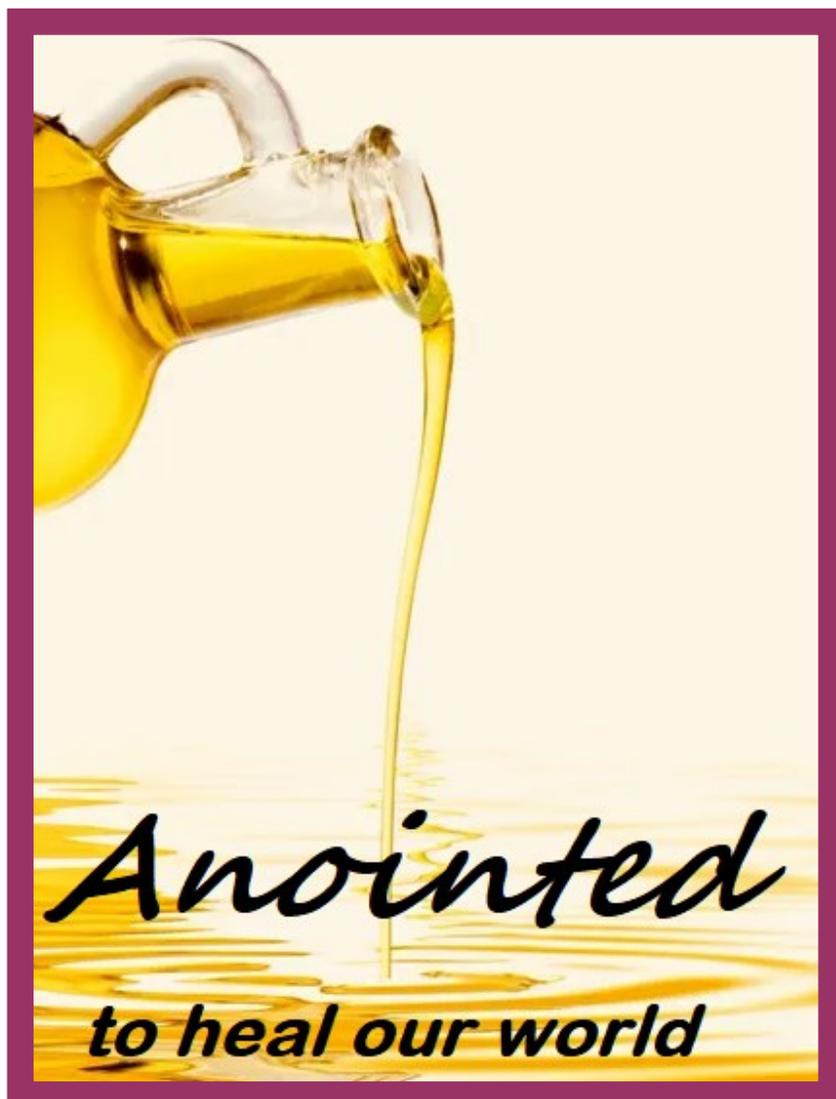
Wednesday 8:00 am – 1:30 pm at Holy Cross

Thursday 8:00 am – 1:30 pm at All Saints

Sunday 9:00– 10:30 am at Holy Cross

11:00 am—12:30 pm at All Saints

1:00—2:30 pm at Saint Anthony



Second Sunday of Lent

February 27-28, 2021 — Year B

Mass

Tuesday 10:30 am at Saint Anthony, Wednesday, 10:30 am at Holy Cross, Thursday 10:30 am at All Saints

Saturday 2:30 pm at All Saints and 4:30 pm at Saint Anthony

Sunday 8:30 am at Holy Cross, 10:30 am at All Saints, 2:00 pm at Saint Anthony and 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

In-person attendance at Mass **by sign-up only (please sign up online or call the office)**. All live-streamed Masses available at www.facebook.com/netcatholic and www.youtube.com/c/netcatholic.

Confessions:

Scheduled time for Confessions (and Adoration) without an appointment as follows: Second Saturday of the Month 11am-1 pm at Holy Cross, Third Saturday of the Month 11am-1 pm at All Saints, Fourth Saturday of the Month 11am-1 pm at Saint Anthony or by appointment if Saturday is impossible for you. For appointments contact Father Daniel.

Adoration

Online Thursday 8:30 – 9:30 pm. **In person Adoration** at the same times and locations as scheduled Confessions above.

Baptisms, Holy Matrimony, Communion Visits, Pastoral Care and Anointing of the Sick: please contact Fr. Daniel

A note from Father Daniel

Lent: a Time for Renewing Faith, Hope and Love.

In his message for Lent 2021, Pope Francis invites us to embrace Lent as a time for renewing our faith, hope & love.

We are taking on this Lenten Journey as an opportunity for healing, to recover our identity and our life, to rediscover ourselves as those that in Baptism have been Anointed to Heal Our World.

We need healing because by suffering and sin we have become less ourselves, we have lost some of our life and joy. Lent is this pilgrimage to Jerusalem with Jesus, the place where He will die, crucifying with Him all that has disfigured our identity and our life, the same place where he will rise to the fullness of life, offering us the same.

To reclaim our life and identity is not simply to go back to our normal sense of comfort, it is to reclaim who we are as born of the Father's love, as those in whom the Holy Spirit dwells, as those that are being transformed into the Son. To reclaim our life is to reclaim the very life of God that was breathed into us, bringing our clay, our ashes to life.

The awesome thing of being human is that when we are fully alive, we are divine, since our life is the very life of God within us. This divine life expresses in us and through us what we call the theological virtues: Hope, Faith and Love. Allowing God to renew these virtues in us, is allowing God to restore in us the fullness of the Divine life, it is allowing ourselves to once again live to the fullest and experience the joy of salvation, the anointing with the oil of gladness.

This is the amazing gift of Lent. As we are called to turn back to God, we are actually being asked to turn back to our true selves, we are asked to reclaim our lives, we are given the opportunity once again to fully be who we are, to be free.

Lent is not about turning back to God in guilt and shame, but about turning back to God who is our very life, so that we can rise and be fully alive!

In this same sense the three practices of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving are not meant of some kind of punishment or harsh discipline, but as a way to allow our true selves, the core of our beings to breathe once again. These practices respond to the deepest longings and hungers of our heart and awaken in us the divine life expressed as hope, faith and love.

In prayer, we allow our beings to reach out in our common human longing for transcendence. Our need for meaning. Our need to be part of something greater than ourselves. Our need to know that someone is looking over us. As we allow our longing for transcendence to reach out towards the Other, the utterly transcendent, our Faith is restored.

Faith should not be understood as believing a set of doctrines, that is not what this faith is, and is always an extremely poor way of understanding. Faith is not about believing things, faith is a very specific form of relationship with the person, Christ. This is made clear if we look at the Hebrew and Greek words used in Sacred Scripture for faith. The Hebrew **אמונה** (emunah) means to actively support. The Greek **πίστις** (pistis) means complete trust. This means that faith has nothing to do with believing things/ideas and all to do with our relationship with God, with the person of

Jesus Christ, one in which we should actively support God and completely trust God. This means also that true prayer is that in which we discern God's presence in our lives so that we can in all our intentions, thoughts, actions, and choices support/collaborate with God's Will and work and that we surrender our whole lives and selves to God trusting fully that God is in charge and works in ALL things for our salvation.

In fasting, we allow our beings to reconnect with our desires and to be set free from the imprisonment brought about by lies that mask our true desires. Lies that convince us that our hearts can be satisfied by selfishness. In fasting we also free our hearts from fear. In this way fasting, responds to our common human longing for freedom, true freedom and restores in us the virtue of hope. Hope understood as knowing that our satisfaction is found beyond ourselves and sometimes even beyond the things of this world, ultimately in Christ. Hope is knowing that we can trust God and need not be afraid.

Almsgiving responds to the common human longing for relationship, for true relationship in which we give of ourselves expecting nothing in return (anything different is not relationship, but transaction and will never satisfy the human heart). By responding to this longing, almsgiving restores in us the virtue of love (also called charity), properly **ἀγάπη** (agapé), this means a love like that of Christ upon the Cross, a love that gives all, a love that expects nothing. This, by the way, is the only thing that can be properly called love.

Through these practices, our true self is awakened and can breathe again, we rediscover who we are, we reclaim the fullness of our life, which is the very life of God in us.

We do not turn back to God for the sake of God, we turn back to God so that we can be fully alive. It is only in being fully alive, in being ourselves joyfully and peacefully that we give glory to God as the Fathers of the Church teach.

In addition to these practices that are especially encouraged during Lent, the Church has two sacraments that are meant as healing and nourishment on the journey, as a constant way to renew our lives: Confession and Eucharist.

In Confession, we are reassured of who we are, even when deep wounds make it difficult for us to see ourselves as the Father's beloved children, as the chosen dwelling of the Holy Spirit, and as works in progress becoming the likeness of the Son.

In the Eucharist, we encounter Christ the Divine Physician, truly present in the Word and most especially in Holy Communion and we are healed in Christ, as our faith, hope and love are restored as we said in the Prayer after Communion for the First Sunday of Lent:

Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened, we pray, O Lord, that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living Bread, and strive to live by every word which proceeds from your mouth. Through Christ our Lord.

May this Lenten Season, through prayer, fasting and almsgiving and the Sacraments of Confession and Eucharist grant us all the fullness of healing as we become fully alive by rediscovering the life of God within us.

A.M.D.G., Father Daniel

Lenten Almsgiving

This Second Week of Lent our donations of \$1000 each go to:

**Habitat for Humanity
of Tompkins and Cortland Counties
Second Wind Cottages**



Lenten Mission: Anointed to Heal Our World

We will offer several **in person** options, two for adults without children:

Monday, March 1, 6:30 pm at Saint Patrick's in Moravia.

Wednesday, March 3, 10:30 am at Holy Cross in Freeville and many for families with children:

Tuesday, March 2, 6:15 pm, Holy Cross in Freeville

Monday, March 8, 5:30 pm, Saint Patrick in Aurora

Tuesday, March 9, 5:30 pm, All Saints in Lansing

Saturday, March 13, 4:30 pm, Saint Anthony in Groton

Monday, March 15, 5:30 pm, Saint Patrick in Moravia

Tuesday, March 23, 5:30 pm, All Saints in Lansing

We will also offer two **online versions** of the Mission:

In the context of Adoration and Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament on the Mondays of Lent (February 22, March 8, 15, 22, 29) at 8:30 pm, through YouTube and Facebook.

As a series of 7 minutes videos on the Fridays of Lent (Feb. 19 and 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26) at 6 pm. through YouTube and Facebook.

Lenten Confessions

Sundays 8:00-8:20 am
at St. Patrick Church,
Moravia

Tuesdays 6:30-7:00 pm
at Our Lady of the Lake
Church, King Ferry

Thursdays 4:30-5:00 pm
at St. Michael,
Union Springs

Saturdays 6:00-6:30 pm
at St. Patrick Church, Aurora

Saturdays 11am-1pm

Feb 27: at St. Anthony,
Groton

March 13: at Holy Cross,
Freeville

March 27: at St. Anthony,
Groton

During Holy Week:

Monday, March 29,

4:30-7:30 pm at Holy Cross,
Freeville

Wednesday, March 31,

4:30-7:30 pm at All Saints,
Lansing

Lenten Book Reads

This Lent we are proposing two books for you to purchase and read to help us get into the right mindset for this new beginning:

"Let Us Dream," by Pope Francis. Father Daniel will be providing resources and discussion opportunities as you read along. Discussion group will meet on Zoom **March 20 and 27 at 9 am.**

"Surrounded by Love: Seven Teachings from St. Francis," by Murray Bodo, OFM. Dawn will be providing resources and discussion opportunities as you read along. Discussion group will meet on Zoom **March 10 and 24 at 7 pm.**

Faith Formation News

Our G.I.F.T. Lenten theme is well underway. As mentioned in this week's G.I.F.T. email, videos to accompany the material for children can be found on our website at www.GrowingInFaithTogether.org. Adults can find material and links to the ongoing Online Lenten Mission at www.GrowingInFaithTogether.org/Lent. Contact Dawn with any questions: 607-288-2476 or email dawn.burdick@dor.org.

Our in-person gatherings for Lent begin this week. Adults without children in the G.I.F.T. program are invited to join us for our Lenten Mission either on Monday, March 1, at 6:30pm at St. Patrick in Moravia (51 Grove St, or on Wednesday, March 3, at 10:30am at Holy Cross in Freeville. We will begin with Mass after which Fr. Daniel will offer a one session Lenten Mission (if you can't join us in person, the material will also be part of the online Mission referenced above, at www.GrowingInFaithTogether.org/Lent). Families with children in the G.I.F.T. program are invited to join us for the session you signed up for.



Ministry Team

Father Daniel Ruiz, Pastor (607) 288-2350 fr.daniel.ruiz@dor.org

Father is available for Non-Emergency Matters: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9 am—5pm. If you contact for non emergency matters outside of these times you will get a reply on the next scheduled time for non emergency matters not before. Father is available for sacramental and pastoral care emergencies 24/7 please leave voicemail, text or email.

Dawn Burdick, Pastoral Associate and Faith Formation Coordinator (607) 288-2476 dawn.burdick@dor.org

Dawn is available for Non-Emergency Matters: Tuesday and Wednesday 9 am—5pm. If you contact for non emergency matters outside of these times you will get a reply on the next scheduled time for non emergency matters not before.

Dawn is available for emergencies 24/7 please leave call, text or email.

Elizabeth Mowatt, Administrative Assistant (607)241-0821 elizabeth.mowatt@dor.org

Elizabeth is **ONLY** in the office **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday 9am—1pm call, text or email**. If you contact the office outside of these times no one will see your messages or be able to get back to you until the next scheduled office day.

Julia Phillips, Music Director julia.phillips@dor.org

This week in our Parishes (Schedule, Mass Intentions and Liturgical Calendar)

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT — Violet

Readings: Genesis 22:1-2,9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Romans 8:31b-34/ Mark 9:2-10

Saturday, February 27

10:00 am **Rosary @ Holy Cross**

11:00 am—1 pm **Adoration in person and Confessions without appointment @ Saint Anthony**

2:30 pm **MASS (Sunday Vigil) @ All Saints** — For **Barbara O’Sullivan**, by Linda Benson

4:30 pm **MASS (Sunday Vigil) @ Saint Anthony** — For **Helena Dwyer**, by John and Barb Walpole

Sunday, February 28

8:30 am **MASS @ Holy Cross** — For **Angelo Mastronardi**, by Joyce Walsh

10:30 am **MASS @ All Saints** — For **E. Marie Kapur**, by Margaret Petrella and Maureen Ronsvalle

2:00 pm **MASS @ Saint Anthony** — For **MaryAnne M. Poland**

4:30 pm **MASS @ Holy Cross** — For **EHL Smith Jr**, by Moira Scheuring

Monday, March 1

Lenten Weekday-Violet

12:00 noon **Angelus** — Join us on Facebook

3:00 pm **Finding Refuge in the Sacred Heart**—Join us on Facebook

6:30 pm **Lenten In-person Mission @ Saint Patrick’s in Moravia**

Readings:

Daniel 9:4b-10

Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 2

Lenten Weekday– Violet

10:30 am **Mass @ Saint Anthony**– For **James Mootrey**, by Linda Benson

12:00 noon **Angelus** — Join us on Facebook

3:00 pm **Finding Refuge in the Sacred Heart**—Join us on Facebook

6:00 pm **Ignatian Retreat with Dawn** on Facebook and YouTube

6:15 pm **GIFT Family Gathering @ Holy Cross**

Readings:

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20

Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 3

Lenten Weekday– Violet

10:30 am **MASS @ Holy Cross** — For **Dick Fagan**, by Ellen

Followed by Lenten in Person Mission

12:00 noon **Angelus** — Join us on Facebook

3:00 pm **Finding Refuge in the Sacred Heart** — Join us on Facebook

Readings:

Jeremiah 18:18-20

Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday, March 4

Lenten Weekday– Violet

10:30 am **Mass @ All Saints**– For **deceased friends of Joan Hass**

12:00 noon **Angelus** — Join us on Facebook

3:00 pm **Finding Refuge in the Sacred Heart** — Join us on Facebook

Readings:

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Luke 16:19-31

Friday, March 5

Lenten Weekday– Violet

12:00 noon **Angelus** — Join us on Facebook

3:00 pm **Stations of the Cross** — Join us on Facebook

6:00 pm **Online Mission 7 Minute Video** — Join us on Facebook and YouTube

Readings:

Genesis 37:3-4, 12

-13a, 17b-28a

Matthew 21:33-43,

45-46

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT — Violet

Readings: Exodus 20:1-17/1 Corinthians 1:22-25/ John 2:13-25

Saturday, March 6

10:00 am **Rosary @ Holy Cross**

2:30 pm **MASS (Sunday Vigil) @ All Saints** — For **Bob Zavaski**, by Sophie Stark and Cheryl Casey

4:30 pm **MASS (Sunday Vigil) @ Saint Anthony** — For **Lisa Felix**, by the Barrett Family

Sunday, March 7

8:30 am **MASS @ Holy Cross** — For **EHL Smith III**, by Moria Scheuring

10:30 am **MASS @ All Saints** — For **Dan Molone**, by Sophie Stark

2:00 pm **MASS @ Saint Anthony** — For **for the living and deceased members of the Mootrey Family**, by Linda Benson

4:30 pm **MASS @ Holy Cross** — For **Elizabeth Smith**, by Moira Scheuring

Fasting and Abstinence

Fasting refers to eating less, mainly instead of having 3 full meals in the day, having one full meal and two smaller meals that together would not equal one full meal.

Abstinence, refers to refraining from eating meat (beef, pork, chicken).

- Every person 18 years or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.**
- Every person between the age of 18 and 59 (beginning of 60th year) must fast on **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.**
- Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.



praying
together

For Health Care Professionals and First Responders

We thank you Lord for their generosity in service at this difficult time and we pray that you keep them safe and give them strength and peace.

Kiersten Chambers - police officer in NYC, Brandi Senter; Stephanie Notar, Niki Cornelius and all the health care workers at Guthrie Medical in Cortland, and Mikayla Perkins, RN at Cayuga Medical Center. Anne Cornelius RN, Dr. Tim LaFrance, Dr. Russ LaFrance, Richard LaFrance PT, Jussie Street PT, Dr. Michelle Carley, Dr. Brian Nicholas, nurse Melissa Carley, Matt Youngs hospital worker, Dr. Grant Bonavia, Ben Cramer, Betsy Kane, Phil Thomas, Markus Hardt, Connor Moore, Johnelle Keck, Chris Keck, Susan McCarthy, John Nolan, Ellen Nolan, James Lafler, Maggie McDonald, Carrie McColester, Kevin McCormick, James Mona Dali and all the staff at Cayuga Medical Center, Megan Drake and Rebecca Drake, Carrie Stock, Katie Stevens, Don and Maria Gentry, Dr. Brendan Barrett, Jonathan Burdick, Patricia Brown, Mark Romond, Liz Nadziejko-Rankin, Michael Rankin, Dr. Douglas Fetterman

"Let us pray for them and their families. I thank God for the heroic example that they have given us in their care for the sick,"
—Pope Francis

For Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Angelo Alaimo, Jane Baldwin, Bobby Berrido, Ginny Bradshaw, Chrissy Bravo-Cullen, Bob Bretzlaff, Karen Brown, Phyllis Campbell, Madeline Carey, Ian Charles, Donna Cocca, Paul Conklin, Robert Deely, Jerica Duso, Lois Fahey, Pat Fairbank, Mary Falise, Gordon Gladden, Amy Grosser, Kirsten Hess, Angela Hughes, Nimr Ibrahim, Jeremiah, Autum Kenyon, Steve Kletjian, Valerie Kuramoto, Mr. Liggett, Miguel Marte, Marcus Martinez, Leah Mayor, Emma Mazingo, Joe McCarey, Betty McCarey, Lee McGill, Chavonne McKenna, Fred Mellberg, Sara Morse, Dennis Osika, Jim Oswald, Kathy Pumphrey, Thelma Rusak, Lourdes Santana, Emilie Searle, Eleanor Sorbello, Lucy Steger, Phyllis Stewart, Robert Stewart, Ethel Thomas, Melanie Toolan, Vicky Toro, Shelly Tripanny, Ellen VanSlyke Batzer, Sharon Vincent, Christine Walker, Tom Walpole, Richard Weiss, Ryan White, Jocelyn Woods, Agnes Zavaski, and several Special Intentions.

Please keep our area servicemen & women in your prayers.

The Altar Bread and Wine this week are offered for the following intentions:

At Holy Cross:
For Dick Fagan by Ellen Fagan

At Saint Anthony:
For the intentions of Kathleen Martin



The Sanctuary Candles this week burn for the following intentions:

At Holy Cross for Bob Bretzlaff



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Lord God,
In the face of suffering, we recognize our need. We need strength, we need peace, and we need You. Just as Jesus healed those who came to him, I now come to you and ask to receive your healing power.
I ask this with my whole heart, with trust in You. Amen.



Please join the Pope in praying
for the following intention during the month of March 2021:

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

To request a Mass intention, a Sanctuary Candle intention or a Bread and Wine intention, you can call our office at (607) 241-0821 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday 9 am—1 pm. You can email Elizabeth at ellizabeth.mowatt@dor.org or you can visit our office. Please see times and locations on the front page. You can make your donation when you visit the office or you can mail in your donation for the intention or you can donate online through our website.